

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests entrance of the present Amendment to accompany the Response to Restriction Requirement which is being filed herewith.

After entrance of this Amendment, claims 1-115, 117-176 and 183-242 will have been cancelled. It is to be understood that cancellation of these claims by way of this Amendment and the Preliminary Amendment that was included at the time of filing has been done solely in order to avoid excess claim fees. Claims 116 and 177-182 remain. Of these, claims 116 and 177-180 belong to elected Group III while claims 181-182 belong to withdrawn Group IV (method of using combination of Group III).

Applicant has added new claim 243 which depends from claim 181. No new matter has been added since new claim 243 corresponds to original claim 212 that was canceled at the time of filing. New claim 243 should stand withdrawn as belonging to non-elected Group IV.

Applicant has also added new claims 244-303 which depend directly or indirectly from claim 116. No new matter has been added since claims 244-303 correspond to original claims 117-176 that were also canceled at the time of filing. New claims 244-303 belong to elected Group III and should therefore be examined with claims 116 and 177-180.

Applicant reserves the right to pursue claims to any of the canceled subject matter in future applications that claim priority to the present application. Applicant would like to thank the Examiner in advance for review of this request. If it is believed that a telephone conversation would expedite matters, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (617) 248-4793.

Respectfully submitted,

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